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DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATIONS and MINUTES

The City of Somerville Design Review Committee held a public meeting on **Thursday, September 24, 2015**, at **6:30 p.m.** at City Hall 3rd Floor Conference Room, 93 Highland Avenue. Somerville, MA 02143.

The purpose of the meeting was to review and make recommendations on the following proposals:

40 Medford Street

Description: The DRC reviewed revised materials for the proposed development at 40 Medford Street with respect to the landscape requirements, parking aisle, and primary façade, as presented by the project architect.

The DRC made the following recommendations on the design.

- The architect should investigate the potential for narrowing the drive aisle closer to the sidewalk, preferably by increasing the landscaped area near the main entry.
- The architect should reduce the width of the pedestrian path along the north of the site and add a landscaped area.
- The main entry to the residential units on Medford St should be pulled up to the front façade of the building.
- The exit corridor to the north should be made wider.
- The commercial entry should be moved to the north, perhaps to align with the balcony above.

The Applicant will incorporate the design suggestions and review changes with Planning Staff prior to proceeding to the Zoning Board.